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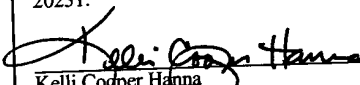
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Wheat et al  
Filed: October 6, 1999  
Serial No.: 09/413,384  
Group: 1773  
Examiner: M. Jackson  
For: HEAT-SEAL STRENGTH IN POLYOLEFIN FILMS

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action of October 24, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Claims**

Please cancel claims 11, 12, 29 and 30.

Please amend claims 1, 31 and 32, as follows: